



Light Rail Update

LINE SECTION 5

SUMMER 2005

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

The construction contract for Line Section 5, which encompasses Tempe and Mesa, was awarded in July to Sundt / Stacey & Witbeck Inc. in the amount of \$70,227,618.50. Construction is slated to begin in September 2005 and be completed in December 2008. A construction kick-off meeting will be held prior to the start of construction to introduce the contractor to business owners and residents. At the meeting, the contractor will provide a 90-day schedule of construction activity and notification procedures. The construction schedule will be updated on a regular basis and posted on the LRT projects website at www.valleymetro.org/rail/.

UTILITY RELOCATION

Dry utility relocation work by cable television, telephone and electric companies has begun and is estimated to continue through January 2006. Although relocation of dry utilities typically does not cause interruption in service, companies will provide advance notice to customers prior to beginning relocation work. For more information on utility relocation contact the appropriate Community Outreach Coordinator.



A photosimulation of the light rail station at Third Street and Mill Avenue.

Light Rail Project CONTACT INFORMATION

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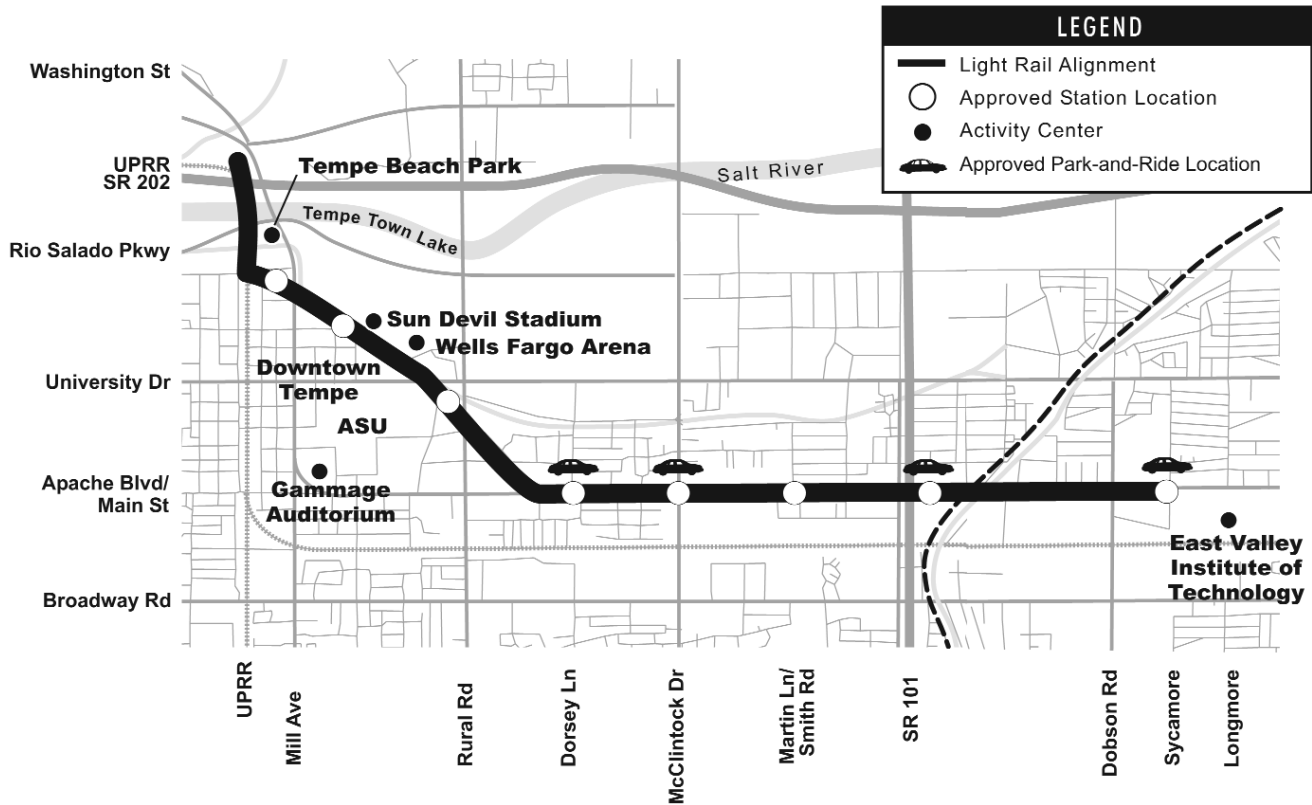
WATER/SEWER UTILITY RELOCATION AND IMPROVEMENTS

Water and sewer line relocations and improvements are continuing on Terrace Road and the project is expected to be completed in late August. Construction to relocate and improve water lines along Apache Blvd is scheduled to begin in early September and continue in to 2006. If you have questions regarding water and sewer projects, please contact Ron Coleman, City of Tempe Water Utilities Department, at 480-858-2175 or e-mail ron_coleman@tempe.gov.

COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARDS

A key component of Valley Metro Rail's Construction Outreach Plan for the METRO Light Rail Transit Project is the formation of Community Advisory Boards (CABs). The CABs will serve as the voice of the community during light rail construction and

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will be composed of residents and business representatives from the communities adjacent to the light rail route. Valley Metro Rail will form five CABs for the 20-mile light rail project, one to represent each one of the five sections of light rail construction. During construction, the CABs will meet on a regular basis to evaluate the performance of the contractor as it relates to minimizing impacts to the community. The CABs will have the opportunity to identify and reward contractor performance that is above and beyond what is required by the contract documents. The CAB for Line Section 5 will be in place by September 2005.

CONSTRUCTION SIGNAGE PROGRAM

Valley Metro Rail will implement a construction signage program at the start of construction in each of the five line sections. The program will provide businesses with a complimentary sign or banner advertising their business during light rail construction. The intent of this program is to let the public know that businesses are open during construction of METRO Rail and to provide patrons with directional information about

parking and alternative access into the business. A letter outlining more details on this program will soon be sent to those businesses along the light rail route. For more information about this program please contact Erin Seibel at 602-495-8213, or by email at eseibel@valleymetro.org.

HOW CAN I KEEP INFORMED ABOUT THE CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE?

Construction kick-off meeting will be held in September 2005 prior to the start of construction. A few months into construction, the contractor will provide a detailed baseline schedule of construction activity to complete all work throughout the entire line section. This schedule will be shared with the community at subsequent construction meetings. It will also be included in future Line Section 5 area updates and will be available at www.valleymetro.org/rail/ by clicking on the "Construction" icon. You may also want to contact your Community Outreach Coordinator to obtain updates on the construction schedule.

